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# ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

## DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

### NEWS RELEASE



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#### DISTRICT 8 SALMON TROLL FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka . . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the following information concerning the commercial spring troll fishery:

The first inseason abundance estimate for large Stikine River king salmon is 29,300 fish, which is approximately 11,000 fish below the preseason forecast. As a result, the **directed fishery is closed**. The following spring troll fishery areas will open next week to target Alaska hatchery-produced king salmon:

Chichagof Pass (108-10): waters of Chichagof Pass and Zimovia Strait in Section 8-B south of 56°24.50' N. latitude and east of a line from Reef Point to a point on Etolin Island at 56°20.10' N. latitude, 132°32.00' W. longitude will **open from 12:01 a.m., May 29 through 11:59 p.m., May 31**;

Baht Harbor (Fishery area 108-30): in Sumner Strait, waters of Section 8-B east of the District 8 western boundary and west of a line from the eastern entrance of Blind Slough to the Craig Point light will **open from 12:01 a.m., May 29 through 11:59 p.m., May 30**;

Craig Point (Fishery area 108-40): waters of Section 8-B in Sumner and Stikine Strait south and east of a line from Craig Point Light to Neal Point Light to Wedge Point and west of a line from Reef Point to a point on Etolin Island at 56°20.10' N. latitude, 132°32.00' W. longitude will **open from 12:01 a.m., May 29 through 11:59 p.m., May 30**.

The 2012 Spring Troll Management Plan, which includes maps of the spring areas, is available at all regional ADF&G offices and is on the troll fishery website at:

[http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon\\_managementplans](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon_managementplans)

The troll fishery website can be found at:

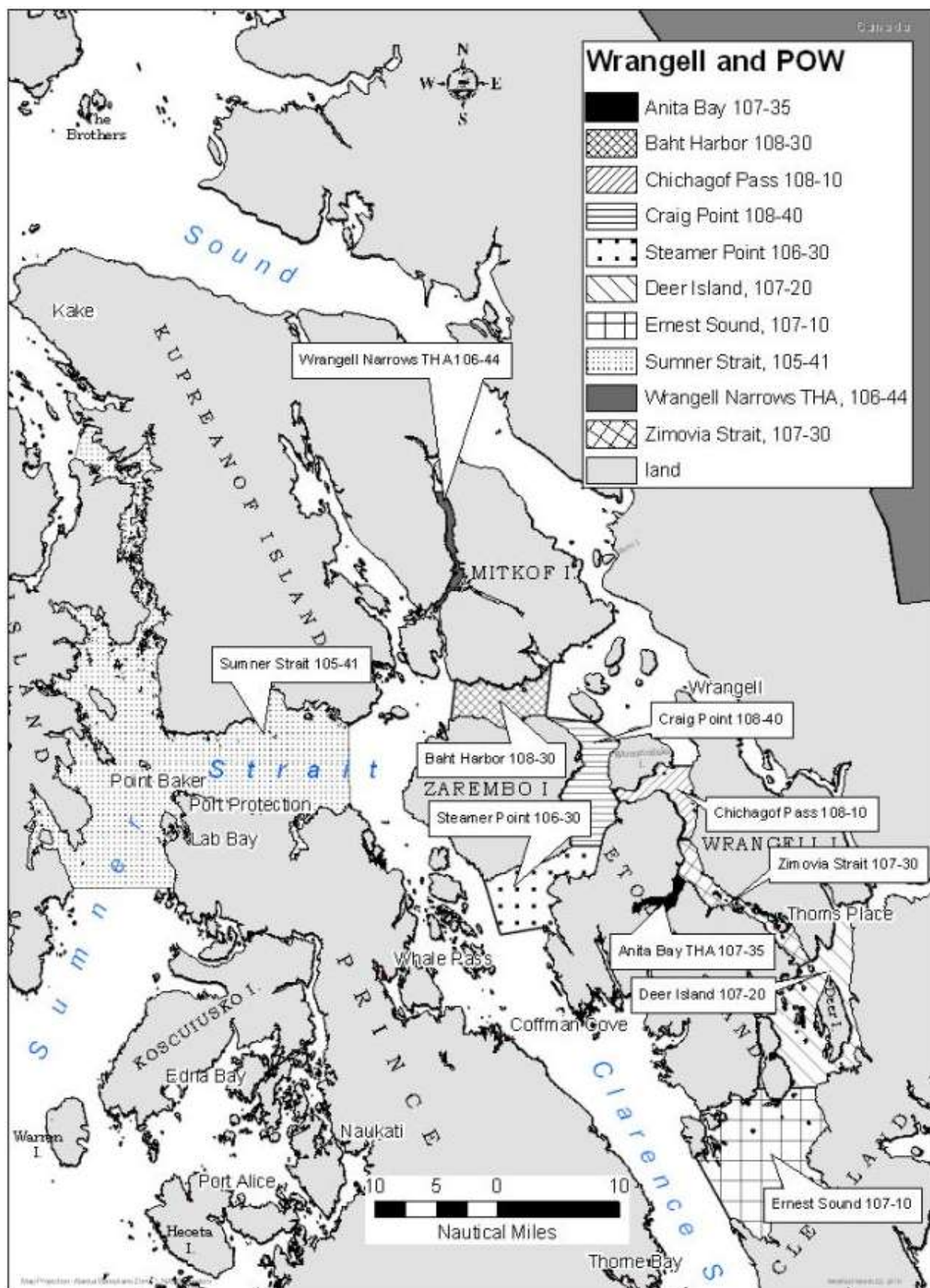
<http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon>.

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**Figure 1.** Wrangell/ Prince of Wales spring troll fishery areas beginning 5-29-12.

The emergency orders corresponding with this announcement are 1S0612 and 1S1712.